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**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:** 

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the

application:

**Listing of Claims:** 

1-12. (Canceled)

13. (Original) An apparatus for displaying a work of art, comprising:

at least two hook mounting means operatively arranged to be fixedly secured to a wall

structure;

a rod operatively arranged to be suspended within said at least two hook mounting means

at a fixed distance away from said wall structure;

at least two ring attachment means operatively arranged to slidably and rotatably engage

said rod, each of said at least two ring means operatively arranged to suspending a wire means

therefrom;

at least two wire means, each of said at least two wire means comprising an upper loop

and a lower loop connected by a wire member, each of said at least two wire members being

equal in length, said at least two wire means operatively arranged to be suspended from said at

least two ring means by said upper loops; and,

at least one frame comprising at least two attachment means, said frame operatively

arranged to be suspended from said lower loops by said at least two attachment means.

14. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 wherein said wire means comprises a member selected

from the group consisting of monofilament wire, cable, rope, string and chain.

15. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 wherein said frame comprises at least two translucent

surfaces.

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16. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 wherein said frame comprises at least two transparent

surfaces.

17, (Original) The apparatus of Claim 15 wherein said at least two translucent surfaces are

secured to one another by said attachment means.

18. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 16 wherein said at least two transparent surfaces are

secured to one another by said attachment means.

19. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 comprising at least two frames.

20. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 19 wherein one of said at least two frames is suspended

from said rod means via a first set of at least two wire means and a second frame is suspended

from a second set of at least two wire means; each wire means of said first set having a first

length and defining a first distance therebetween, each wire means of said second set having a

second length and a second distance therebetween, said second length and said second distance

shorter than said first length and said first distance such that said second frame is suspended

above said first frame.

21. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 19 wherein one of said at least two frames is suspended

from the other.

22. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 19 wherein said at least two frames are oriented

horizontally adjacent with respect one another.

23. (Original) The apparatus of Claim 13 comprising at least three frames wherein two of said

three frames are oriented in vertical relationship with respect to one another and two of said three

frames are oriented in horizontal adjacent relationship with respect to one another.